

## The Separate Waist is An Established Custom

The separate waist is an established custom. Not necessarily the plain or tailored waist, but the dainty, dress affair of net, lace, chiffon, silk, batiste, fine linen or voile. These waists are made in various ways, from the simple waist of all one fabric to the one developed in two or more.

One fascinating French waist of white crepe de Chine trimmed in black was made with a vest in the front of finely hand-tucked white chiffon. The sleeves, although set in to the armhole very plainly, seemed a little fuller through the arm than the sleeves we have had recently. A deep cuff finished the bottom of the sleeves. A round collar, which was wired to stand up in the back and come to a slight V in the neck, was used on the waist. The only trimming was a border of black crepe de Chine cut in a Grecian square pattern and applied by hand to the collar, cuffs, and down the outer edge of the vest.



A Simple Evening Frock of Chiffon and Taffeta

Although the waists with the small armhole seemed to be very popular there are to be seen waists with the raglan armhole, and very handsome waists they are. One made with these raglan sleeves and a surplice front was developed in finely tucked net.

Accompanying the separate waist is the separate skirt, usually a suit skirt. It is made in various ways, usually to correspond with the jacket it is to go with. With the advent of wider skirts, they are made, as a rule, circular or goared. The yoked skirts have also been having quite a vogue, the yokes cut straight around the hips or in the front, giving a wide variety in the development of skirts and helpful suggestions for the making over of skirts.

Although made up in the same material, the model for the second illustration shows a smart model for the separate waist and skirt. The waist is called the Elsie Poirer waist, because introduced by Poirer's sister. It is often made in silk and worn with skirts of a different material and color. The skirt shows the close-fitting line with the attached circular flounce, which gives width and flare to the lower edge of the skirt.

The model in one material is developed in covert cloth, which is by far the most popular material now on the market. It is shown developed into one-piece dresses, suits and also coats.

Aside from fur, braid is the most popular of the winter's trimmings. Narrow Hercules is used to bind the edges, and the wide Hercules for banding on the bottom of tunics, skirts and jackets. The most practical and popular of these braids, however, are the narrow soutache braids. These are used for braiding designs on coats, jackets, skirts and dresses. Several rows of it are used for banding in place of the wide Herculean braid.

Buttons are also used to a great extent as trimming. The round bone buttons are very good, as well as the cloth-covered buttons, to match the

dress or suit worn. Many of the covert cloth suits and dresses are now trimmed with ball buttons covered with the covert. The buttonholes are bound instead of buttonholed with matching silk.

In the first illustration is an evening frock of delightfully simple lines. The bodice is partly of chiffon and partly of taffeta. The upper or yoke portion of the skirt is of taffeta, while the skirt is of bordered chiffon. Developed in shell-pink or apricot color, the dress is charming, as well as in white, light green or canary color. The dress might be developed attractively in charmeuse, with the bodice partly of charmeuse and partly of lace or net.

Children's clothes are following somewhat the outline of their mothers' and elder sisters'. The skirts are being made fuller and instead of being cut straight up and down are cut with a little flare. The waistline is creeping up and in some dresses has now reached the Empire line, which is coming in for mother as well.

Simplicity in fabric is the order of the day for the younger generation. Fancy little party dresses are sometimes made of silk or chiffon, but usually of fine batiste, linen or net. The trimming on the finest of dresses is usually hand-embroidery and a very little fine lace. Irish crochet and filet lace are both used a great deal for children's dresses, especially when combined with hand-embroidery.

In children's outdoor apparel there is no smarter way of clothing a child than with a coat made in some simple but stylish manner, and hat made from the same material. Old rose broadcloth was used for a stunning child's coat. It was made Empire, with cuffs and high collar of fox. The hat was made of the old rose broadcloth, with a band of the fur around the crown and a bunch of silk balls in harmonizing shades of old rose on one side. The elastic which held the hat on was run through narrow ribbon the same shade as the broadcloth.



In Covert Cloth Comes a Short Jumper-Waist and Full Skirt

To go with these little suits are cunning little muffs made of the same fabric as the coats and hat, and trimmed with the same fur used upon the other garments. These are a very stylish addition to the little coat suits and one which is usually enthusiastically welcomed by the small girl.

The modes of dressing a little girl's hair depends greatly upon the hair itself. If it is curly it is comparatively easy to find some becoming way to dress it. At present curly hair is tied at the back of the top of the head, the curls falling down the back. The bobbed hair is not as fashionable as it was, but there is no prettier way of fixing the hair of the small girl who has straight hair, especially if there is not enough of it to form a nice braid. However, many mothers with straight-haired little girls are tying the hair in the same way as the child with curly hair, the only difference being that extra pains is taken in brushing the hair thoroughly each time the little girl is dressed.

## VALLEY CITY

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Murray spent New Year with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sailer. They spent a week in Michigan before they came here.

Mr. Ed Leinseder is laid up with rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Levit, Edward Maier and Mrs. J. Smith spent New Year's in Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bordine of Berea have a son; Joe formerly was of Valley City.

Mrs. Worth, Mrs. B. Miller and children and Mr. Fred Hasel and family spent New Year's at Strongsville.

Miss Ruth Kline of Grafton spent several days the past week with Mrs. Geo. Hammon.

Mr. Harvey Weber of Indiana spent last week with his brother, William Weber.

Mabel Wise of Belden spent several days last week with Mrs. John Malter.

Samuel Mack was quite severely hurt last Thursday while coasting on the south hill, west of town.

Miss Hilda Nilges, who is employed at Haur's store in Erhart, spent the past week at her home.

Miss Ruth Bayer leaves next Saturday to work for Mrs. Root at Medina.

Mr. Bert Weigel, who was hurt in a motor truck accident several weeks ago in Cleveland, is well again and left for work on Monday.

Mr. Christ Kaiser is building a new ice house.

The members of the K. O. T. M. held a supper among themselves last Wednesday evening.

Mr. Wert Hastings has a telephone installed in his bungalow.

Miss Alvina Muntz of Cleveland spent New Year's at home.

Mr. A. F. and John Grabenstetter attended the funeral of their cousin, Wm. Grabenstetter of Cleveland last week Thursday.

Mr. Geo. Mack and Mr. Fred Deitrick were in Berea Tuesday on a business trip.

Mr. Louis Wise of Grafton road left Tuesday morning for Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prescher, of Cleveland spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Prescher.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gunkelman spent Xmas with their son, Erwin, wife and son at Chicago, Ill.

Mr. Jacob Hoeffler of Ashland is here helping his son Leo do the plumbing in the new home of B. S. Stebel.

Mr. Peters and family, formerly of nine miles from Toledo, has occupied the former Leinseder farm now owned by Mr. Sherer.

Miss Bertha Strosacker spent several days the past week with her sister, Mrs. Sam Arnold of Cleveland.

The six-year-old son of Jacob Smith had his face severely cut by sliding into a barb wire fence while coasting.

Margaret, the little daughter of W. Mayer, received an ugly cut on her face, the result of coasting.

Mrs. A. C. Frank of Abbeyville is visiting at the home of her brother, Henry Gunkelman.

It's No. 5 and Chas. Neumeyer is all smiles and good humor. It's a boy and the first 1915 baby of Liverpool.

The county engineers are at work surveying the Focking road and the road to the B. & O. depot, preparing for road improvement to be done in the spring. We counted our trustees on the early start.

John A. Sailer is entertaining a boil family. John says he always gets them "in the neck" likewise Louis Prescher and George Wolff. You have our sympathy, gentlemen.

Dr. R. A. Brintall transacted business in Cleveland Tuesday.

Chicken and noodle soup (mostly chicken) was the program at the home of Miss Maud Hauck on Tuesday. Ben says, "Ah! I can't get all the roosters ma has, but nevertheless many strange sounds were heard from the farm adjoining town."

Louis Yost butchered the five-legged calf of Henry Gienke's. It dressed 390 pounds.

## RICHFIELD

Prof. G. F. Garman was in Columbus on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rockwood have gone to housekeeping in the Welton home.

Fire has destroyed the old Axtell home, occupied by J. F. Clark and family.

The firm of Manny & Divoky has dissolved partnership, Divoky having withdrawn. The Divoky family has purchased the Wm. R. Townsend homestead.

Mrs. W. F. Eykes and daughter, Elizabeth have been visiting friends in Royalton.

Ernest Lyons of Hinckley township Medina county, and Miss Lottie Eastwood of West Richfield were quietly married last Thursday evening by Rev. C. H. Searles.

The funeral of H. B. Humphrey who died Dec. 29, was held on Thursday, Dec. 31 at the Congregational church. Sermon by Rev. E. E. Eastman. The Masonic burial service was held by

Meridian Sun lodge of which the deceased was a member. There was a large attendance and many beautiful floral tributes from the lodge, Ellsworth Chapter O. E. S. and friends, surrounded the casket.

The officers of Meridian Sun lodge F. and A. M. and Ellsworth Chapter, O. E. S. will be installed Wednesday evening Jan. 6. A supper for members and their families will precede the ceremony of installation.

Richfield Grange had a big dinner and election of officers on New Year's day. There was a large attendance. The following officers were chosen for 1915: J. J. Neubauer, master; Elliot Bigelow, overseer; Rev. F. E. Eastman lecturer; Miss Anna Sanborn, steward; J. J. Woodruff, assistant steward; Mrs. H. Harrison, chaplain; John B. Payn, treasurer; Mrs. Anna Bigelow, secretary; Mrs. G. N. Wendell, gate keeper; Mrs. H. A. Spear, Ceres; Mrs. Mary Buck, Pomona; Mrs. S. M. Greenleaf, Flora; Mrs. Lillie Woodruff lady assistant steward. The Grange is in a prosperous condition, having a membership of 72.

## BEEBETOWN

Cortna Merrick spent her vacation with David Sunn of Mansfield.

Weston Hughes has scarlet fever.

There was a shower at Chas. Ogilvy's on New Year's day, in honor of Myron Bedford and Ruby Ogilvy.

R. E. Merrick and wife visited C. E. Merrick of Berea last week.

Roy Burnham and wife spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Burnham.

Esther Marty visited at George Gwimburn's last week.

The annual apple-eat was held at John Mayer's residence last Thursday evening. Everybody had a good time.

Martha Dorsch entertained a friend from Huron last week.

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